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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003, for three months, from September 4, 2003 to December 4, 2003. A check in the amount of \$950.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

Paul C. Mer 12/4/23
Signature Date of Signature

In response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003, the period for reply having been extended, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows.